

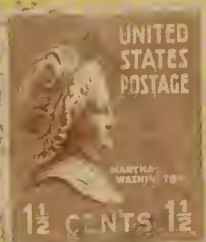
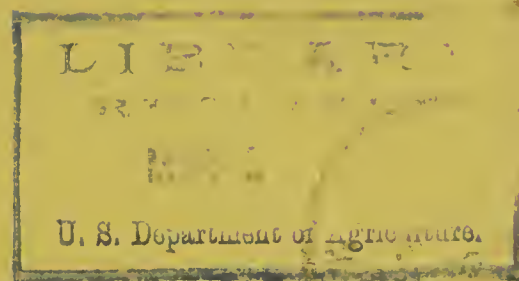
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THE GARDENCRAFT SHOP
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FOREWORD

After months of waiting for the Robins first song, which is one of the signs of spring, he arrived and proudly announced that he was here to stay and that Spring is here. He asked me how all the Annuals and perennials were and if there would be as nice plants as last year. I answered him in the following way;

'The seedlings of the annuals are the same fine quality. They have grown very well and are nice strong plants, with a good root growth, which is most important.'

'The perennials, because of the cold winter, are eager and anxious to start their growth and become nice big specimens for my customers to buy. The varieties are excellent and there is a wide range of them.'

He then asked me what I would have to sell this year and I gave him a list like the one on the following pages. After he had read it, he remarked -

'That certainly is a fine list of plants. They are so well described with ideas about planting, and planning as well as what the plants will be used for. Your clientele surely have a great treat in store for them.' With that he flew away to more important things.

He was right when he said that the list is a good one and that you will be pleased with the contents.

The Robin came back in a while and wanted to know if I was going to have the Brownell Roses this year. He had heard that people were very much pleased with them. I said that they were on the list but that he had read it too hurriedly. Don't you do that.

I will have also the Sweet Peas which are described in detail with cultural directions to aid you in every possible way. They are not hard to raise and what a lot of satisfaction they give. Last year, I picked them and sold them on my cart in front of the Gardencraft Shop from June 1st to the middle of July. What could be better than that!

The Gardencraft Shop will hold besides the Garden supplies, pottery, tools, insecticides, and fertilizers, the same fine grade of seeds that have been tested and from my own experience, are truly good seeds. The germination is good and the varieties are true to name.

If you have garden problems, which undoubtedly you will have, after the Great Blow of September 21, 1938, come in and I will help you to make new plans which you can execute at leisure or all at one time, as you see fit.

The gardens, greenhouse and Shop will be open for the season and public inspection the week of April 17th.

Drive in at the Gardencraft Shop and express your desires.

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

Location: One mile North of Wickford, Post Road, Route #1

Tel. Wickford, 274 - W

SWEET PEAS

Pinkie - A soft pink	Gigantic - Black seeded white
Highlander - Soft Lavender	Maytime - Golden cerise
Matchless - Deep cream	Royal purple - Rich color
Warrior - Deep bronze maroon	Royal Scot - Orange scarlet

As some imagine, Sweet Peas are not difficult to raise. But first a word about the varieties of this year. All that are listed are the best possible colors and have nice long stems for cutting. The colors are fine without any repetition, as has been the case in years before. I am sure that you will be very much pleased with them.

Now a word about the cultural directions. First of all, there are three plants in a pot, well grown and ready to plant out. When they are planted do not separate each individual plant but plant the whole contents of each pot. This way you will have nice bushy plants and furthermore they do not like to be divided. Almost any good garden soil will do with a little extra preparation. For a double row, which is best, dig a trench two feet wide and twelve to eighteen inches deep. In replacing the soil, incorporate plenty of humus in the form of well rotted manure. Add a little lime and mix these two as the trench is refilled. Pack the soil well when refilling to stamp out any air pockets. When you set the plants firm them down well for the same reason. Be careful not to break the roots. Plant contents of each pot 12-15 inches apart. Be sure they get plenty of water as they like it. Spray with Nicetime solution if Aphids appear. Place supports before planting so they can start right on climbing. They should bloom a good part of the early summer if proper care is taken of them and they get plenty of water. Remember the earlier you plant them the earlier the blooms and more of them.

Per Pot 15¢

Per doz. \$1.50

***** ANNUALS FOR 1939 *****		DOZ.
AGERATUM- Fraseri - A fine bedding plant for borders. A good clear blue that will not fade in the hot summer sun. 6 in.		.40
AGERATUM Sulphur yellow. Same habits as the above and used same way.		.40
ALYSSUM Carpet of Snow - Dense flat mass of white flowers. 3 in.		
Used in beds and borders. Spreads about 8 inches. Sweet.		.40
A-Lilac queen - A lavender form of the above. Color best in the late summer. Nice in old fashioned bouquets.		.40
ANTIRRHINUM - Rust Resistant - True to name and color these are the very best that money can buy. Used in borders. 3½ feet. Nice for cutting and for show. The colors are, CORAL PINK, SULPHUR, BRONZE, WHITE, ORANGE, CRIMSON, and A VERY GOOD MIXTURE		.40
A-Imperial mixed. Semi-tall 1½ - 2 feet. Good!		.40
A-Double mixed. Try some of these. You will like them.		.45
ASTERS - Giant Sunshine white. A large clear single aster. Cutting		.40
A-Giant single - Cutting. Borders. Long stems. Pink, light blue, dark blue		.40
Resistant Asters - These are resistant to ROT. Fine long stems, large double flowers. Fine for cutting. DEEP ROSE, DEEP PURPLE, LATE WHITE, PURE IN COLOR, EARLY WHITE, BLUE AND A GOOD MIXTURE		.40
A-Purple prince - Bright marine purple. Mid. September. Cutting		.40
A-Pompon - Excellent for cutting. Long stems. Separate colors. Rose, Light Blue, White, and a fine mixture.		.40

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	Doz.
BROWALLIA - Speciosa major. Splendid large blue. Nice for hanging baskets or pots. Can be used for bedding as well	.40
B. Elata blue - Excellent for outdoor bedding. White eye.	.40
CACALIA coccinea - Tassle flower. Bright red tufts on fine long stems excellent for cutting. Summer. 2 feet.	.40
CALENDULA long orange - An excellent cut flower. Likes hot weather. Cutting 1½ feet. Long stems. Bright color.	.40
C. Gold. Fine yellow form of above. Art shades. Mixed colors.	.40
CANDYTUFT Umbellata - Fine for cutting. Pure white. Long stems	.40
CARNATION Dwarf French. Beautiful large blossoms on long stiff wiry stems. 15-18 inches. Cutting. Separate colors. White, yellow, crimson, pink and mixed.	.40
CELOSIA Tall mixed - Cockscomb. Fine mixed colors. Ideal for cutting and arrangements. Blooms all summer. Try some.	.40
CENTAUREA Cyanus - Bachelors Buttons. 2½ feet Separate colors. Nice for show or small arrangements. Old fashioned bouquets. Bright blue, very dark red, pink, snow white and mixed.	.40
COSMOS - Large flowered type. Sensation. Long stems. Cutting. Borders, separate colors of pink and white.	.40
C. Dble. Anemone flrd. Crested. Mixed colors only.	.40
CYNOGLOSSUM Firmament - Dwarf. 14 - 16 inches. NEW. Rich blue color. Fine for borders and may be used for cutting.	.40
DAHLIA - If you have never tried these types of Dahlias, by all means try some this year. Nice for cutting and easy to grow.	
D. Single mixed. Small round shaped. English. 3-4 ft. Pots.	.50
D. Coltness - Bedding, cutting and mass grouping. The colors are true. Separate. Rose, yellow, white, and crimson. Pots.	.50
D. Semi dble. Unwin's dwarf. Mixed colors. 18 inches. Pots.	.50
DIDISCUS - Blue lace flower. Created light blue flowers. 2½ feet.	.40
DIMORPHOTHECA Aunrantiaca - About 1 ft. Soft pastel shades. Nice for borders where you want a lot of color. Cutting.	.40
EVERLASTING Acrolinium dble. mixed. Good cut flower. Can be dried. Colors pink and white. 18 inches.	.40
GRASSES Ornamental - These are especially nice for texture in the garden and can be used in arrangements successfully. They are decorative as well as useful. Agrosis nebulosa. Cloud Grass. For cutting. BRIZA Maxima Quaking grass, cutting. ERAGROSTIS Elegans. Love Grass. Splendid for cutting. PENNISETUM Ruppelianum. For groups and cutting. These are annuals. GYNERIUM Argenteum. Pampas Grass. Long feathery plumes developing after cutting in the fall. 4 ft. Perennial.	EACH .15
GYPHOPHILA elegans. Lovely white flowers on delicate stems. Nice to make arrangements light and airy.	.40
G. Covent Garden - Large and full petaled flowers. White	.40
G. Muralis - Neat densely rounded bush 6-8 in. Pink. Border.	.40
HERBS - These are plants that are becoming more and more useful all the time. The ones listed are the most useful and their uses are listed after them. You really should have some in your garden to use all summer in salads and other dishes.	
ANISE - Aromatic seeds, leaves for salads. SWEET BASIL - Spicy for kitchen use. BORAGE, Seasoning and cutting. Blue flowers.	
BURNET, Salads, flavoring. CHERVIL, Salads. DILL. Making dill pickles. HOREHOUND. Horehound candy, (Recipe on application)	
LAVENDER. Sweet scented flowers, chests. SWEET MAJORAM, a kitchen herb. ROSEMARY. Kitchen herb. SUMMER SAVORY. Kitchen herb.	
TARRAGON. Flavoring. Cut in fine pieces and mixed with butter makes a grand thin sandwich. ENGLISH THYME. KITCHEN.	
The price for all these is --	.40

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HELYCHRYSUM - Mixed Strawflowers. Flowers can be dried and used in winter bouquets. Fine for cutting. Late 2 ft.	.40
HOLLYHOCK Indian Spring - Bloom late August. Rose and carmine shades. Fragrant habit. Stems 6 ft. high	.60
IPOMEA Heavenly blue - An abundance of large blue flowers. Quick climber and exquisite for any garden. Pots.	.50
JACOBEEA - An uncommon flower that really deserves a place in any or all of our gardens. Easily grown. Very nice for cutting and display. Separate colors. 15 inches. Seeds imported. Crimson, Rose, Purple and white.	.45
LARKSPUR Base branching. Useful for cutting. Blue, white. Mixed. Large flowers on nice stems. 2 ft. Summer.	.40
LISIANTHUS Russelianus - A grand new plant bearing deep lavender tulip-like flowers produced very freely. Pot plant or for bedding purposes. Mid-Aug. to frost. 10-12 in. high. Compact-NEW	.45
LOBELIA - Compacta blue gown - 6 in. deep blue. Many flowers	.40
L. Compacta Crystal Palace - Deep blue dwarf. Dark foliage	.40
L. Pendula Hamburgia - Hanging pots, borders. Deep blue with dark green foliage. Better for hanging pots.	.40
MARIGOLD Giant African - Tall growing. 2-4 ft. Cutting or display. Excellent for borders where color is wanted.	
M. Lemon Queen. Bright Lemon. Good color.	.40
M. Gold. ODORLESS. Deep golden orange color. Cutting.	.40
M. Dwarf french - 12-18 inches. Cutting. Bedding.	
Harmony, Deep orange center, Maroon outer petals.	.40
Golden Harmony, Bright golden yellow, Medium early.	.40
M. Dwarf French. Double mixed. A fine mixture of colors.	.40
MATRICARIA Double white. Fully double. Long stemmed. Cutting.	.40
MIGNONETTE - One of our most fragrant garden flowers. For small arrangements and old fashioned bouquets. Two varieties, Golden Goliath, extra large. Machet, smaller.	.40
NASTURTIUM Gleam Hybrids - A fine brilliant mixture of all double varieties, Golden, scarlet, Cream, Orange, etc.	.40
NEMESIA - Very attractive plants with a profusion of bloom all summer. Cutting, borders, Separate colors. Fine. Rose pink, rich orange, bronze pink, and blue.	.40
NICOTIANA - Flowering Tobacco. A fine plant for cutting and for use in the border. Sweet scented in evening. Two kinds.	
N. Sauveolens, Tiny. Affinis, Large flowered.	.40
NIEREMBERGIA Hippomanica - Very free flowering. 5-6 in. Nicely rounded plants. Light to dark blue.	.40
PANSIES - All the pansies offered this year are the Swiss Giants. They have the largest blooms and the best of Colors. Planted as they are, they will give a wealth of bloom all summer, where the first to bloom in the Spring, spend themselves before actual bloom is needed.	
P. Coronation Gold. Large Golden yellow.	.40
P. Lake of Thun. Deep blue with dark center. Favorite.	.40
P. Mixed. Best mixture with a wide range of fine colors.	.40
PETUNIAS - One of the best plants for bedding and general all round work in the garden, in window boxes and for display purposes of the annuals. I have many kinds and types from which you may make your selection. They are fine plants and have been well grown especially for you.	
P. All dble. Pink perfection. Deep carmine rose. Fine.	.40
P. All dble. Snowball. Finest fringed white.	.40

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P. Victorious Mixed. Finely fringed all double mixture.	Doz. .40
P. Balcony Black Prince, Rich velvety-crimson red.	.40
P. Dwarf hybrid Celestial Rose. Best pink bedding variety on the market. Surpasses Rosy Morn.	.40
P. Fringed Royal Purple. Balcony type. True to name.	.40
P. Ruffled Grandifloras - The best bedding plants of this group. Fine colors. Cutting. Borders. 12 in. White Queen, Blue Beauty, Elk's Pride, a deep purple.	.40
P. Single fringed mixed. A choice selection of colors.	.40
P. Topaz Rose - New. Tall. Deep rose with golden throat.	.40
RUDBECKIA Hirta Autumn tints. - Fine long stemmed strain for cutting. Shades, clear yellow, variegated, to brown.	.40
R. Kelvedon star - Yellow and orange, mahogany to brown.	.40
SALPIGLOSSIS mixed. I have this in mixed form only this year but you will get the same fine colors as if you had chosen them from the catalogue. Many like them mixed, better and you will have a wider range of colors. They range brown, scarlet, rose, violet, white yellow with a fine veining of gold stripes leading from the throat	.40
SALVIA farinacea - An ideal flower for the garden, used in beds or borders. Steel blue flowers on long stiff stems suitable for arranging in the home. Classed as a tender perennial it is better used as an annual here.	.40
SCABIOSA - Most graceful in the garden or for picking. 2 ft. or more in height. Separate colors. Makes almost any decoration light and airy. Blue, pink, and maroon.	.40
SCHIZANTHUS - The keeping qualities of this flower are excellent in the house. Feathery foliage with clusters of blooms topping it. Colors; purple shades and blotched.	.40
STATICE Bonduelli - Clear yellow flowers, comb shaped on stiff stems. Can be used in water or dried for winter bouquets. Blooms must be cut when not quite fully out.	.40
S. Sinuata - Same as above form. Colors-blue and white.	.40
STOCKS - On writing one of my seedsmen concerning the poor development of stocks in our climate, he recommended the strain I have to offer. They do not as a rule like hot summers, but a few trial plants of this kind tried here last year seemed very good. I have them in mixed colors only, being shades of red, white, lavender.	.40
VERBENA Bonariensis - Mid July to frost. Lavender blue flowers on long stems growing well above the foliage.	.40
V. Venosa - More reddish lavender flowers than above.	.40
V. Grandiflora - Regular verbena. Borders. 8 in. Colors - Apple Blossom, large white turning to cameo pink, Ellen Willmott, Salmon pink with white eye. Lavender Glory, Deep Lavender. Spectrum Red, Rich scarlet, not mauve.	.40
ZINNIA - Dahlia flowered. Large flowered, 3-4 inches across. Fine for picking and arrangements. Separate colors. Canary bird, Dream, D. Lavender. Golden State, Rich orange yellow, dark center. Old Rose, Polar Bear, Scarlet flame and a fine mixture of all colors.	.40
Z. Fantasy- Quilled yellow flowers. Smaller than above.	.40

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	Each
ACHILLEA Ptarmica - Yarrow. 2 ft. clusters of pure white flowers. June till frost. Nice for cutting borders.	.25
AJUGA reptans - 2-3 inches. Dark foliage turning purple later. Heads of flowers, purple in color. Rock garden. Dry wall.	.30
ALYSSUM citrinum - Yellow alyssum, lemon color. 6-8 in. blooms on short stems. Grey foliage. May - Rock wall or borders.	.30
A. spinosum roseum - Dense spiny growth with pink flowers. 6 inches. Spring. Fine foliage. Rock garden.	.30
ANCHUSA Italica dropmore - Grand tall specimen for the border. Deep blue flowers on long spikes. 2-3 ft. Hairy leaves.	.30
ANTENNARIA dioica - Low growing plant with grey foliage and light dusty colored flowers. 2-3 inches. Fine for rockery.	.25
ANTIRRHINUM mollis - Perennial snapdragon. Small hairy leaves on low plants. Flowers white. Yellow throats. 6 inches. June	.30
AQUILEGIA - Columbine-these plants are very strong and healthy. Bloom early. Some lasting until July. Borders. I have both the long and short spurred varieties.	
A. White queen - Pure white, extra long spurred.	.25
A. Ceorulea - Deep blue, Canadensis, red and yellow	.25
A. Hybrids, Shades of yellow through orange.	.25
ARABIS alpina - White blooms on grey foliage plants. 8 inches May and June. Lovely for Rock gardens.	.30
A. alpina roseum. Pink flowered form of the above.	.30
ARTIMESIA frigida - Fine grey foliage plant with no flowers. Grows to about 18 inches. Can be clipped for a short hedge.	.30
A. Silver King - Grey foliage for accents. 2-3 ft. The foliage can be cut and dried for winter bouquets.	.30
ASTER - Victor-Dwarf. Clear pale lavender flowers. Sept. 1.	.30
A. Countess of Dudley- Clear pink, yellow eye. Late Sept.	.30
A. King George- Tall growing, bright blue flowers. This is a fine plant for late fall bloom. 3-4 ft.	.30
AUBRETIA - Trivett's violet. Exquisite shade of deep lavender. It does not seem to fade.. Borders. Rock gardens. May-June.	.30
A. Rose shades. Same form and uses as the above.	.30
BAPTISIA Australis- Tall growing. Borders. Bright blue flowers. Cutting. Soft green leaves. June. Flowers in clusters. 4 ft.	.30
BOLTONIA asteroides- Daisy like flowers on long stems for cutting. Pink, 3-5 ft. Graceful and light. Makes good contrast.	.30
CAMPANULA garganica - Small plant of a large family. Tiny leaves above which are tiny flowers. Make quite a show. Blue. 6 in.	.30
CEPHALARIA tartarica - 6 ft. Scabiosa like flowers, lemon color. Grand for cutting. Coarse green leaves. Display.	.30
CERASTIUM tomentosum- Snow in summer. Makes a carpet of white flowers in May. Grey-green foliage. Rock gardens or walls.	.30
COREOPSIS lanceolata- Bright yellow flowers. Shiny green leaves. Cutting. Bloom for a long season of time. 2-3 ft. Borders.	.30
CHRYSANTHEMUM white queen - One of the best summer flowering Mums that there are. Large white blooms. 2-3 inches across. Yellow centers. 2-3 ft. Cutting, keeps swell. Borders.	.30
DELPHINIUM Chinense- A loose spray type, 2 ft. Finely cut leaves. Blue, white flowers. Cutting. Seed themselves but not to excess. Blooms almost all summer. Borders.	.25

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	Each
DIANTHUS Granaticus- A dense carpet of leaves with flowers popping above it in profusion. Pink. 6 in. May-June.	.30
D. Knappi- Yellow flowers, opening alternately, Long stems. Cutting. 8-10 inches. June, July.	.30
D. Sylvia- Clove pinks. Pinks, whites. June. 8 inches.	.25
DIGITALIS Gloxineaflorea- Foxglove. One of the best showy plants in existence. Bells shaped flowers on long stems, 2-3 ft. June-July. Long season of bloom. Pink and white flowers.	.30
ECHINOPS ritro- Globe thistle. Round flower heads on stems of thistle like appearance. Soft blue shade. Grey-green leaves. June-July. Cutting and display.	.30
ERYNGIUM amethystinum- A true blue thistle like plant. 18 in. July. Borders. Cutting. Can be dried, for winter bouquets.	.30
EUPHORBIA mersinites- Showy yellow blossoms on succulent like stems. Very hardy. Grey green foliage changing to blue and red, late in the season. June. 8-10 inches.	.30
GAILLARDIA Bergundy. A swell subject for any garden because of its many uses. Borders, cutting, display. 2-3 ft. Wine color.	.30
G. Dazzler. Same form as above only Yellow and red flowers.	.30
HEUCHERA Sanguinea- Coral bells. Small clusters of flowers with long stems. Coral in color. 10 inches. Leaves soft green.	.25
HELIANTHEMUM Rock rose. Leaves small. Narrow. Flowers in shades of yellow and orange and white. Long season of bloom. Low growing. Evergreen. June-July. Lovely planted against rocks.	.30
IBERIS Sempervirens- Candytuft. Flat flower heads of white. June and part of July. Fragrant. 8-10 inches.	.30
IRIS- I have many colors of iris that I think you will like. They may be purchased now and later. Later, you can choose the colors you like and I will notify you when they are ready. They are named varieties, making them better plants.	.35-1.00
I. pumila, Dwarf. 8 inches. Blue and yellow. Blooms early.	.25
LIATRIS Scariosa - Showy deep purple flowers, blooming all along the stem. Lasts well when cut. Borders. Display. August.	.30
L. Pycnostachia- Rosy purple flowers of form above.	.30
LYCHNIS coronaria- Low tifted plats with flowers not over 6 in. in flat heads. Foliage dark green. June-July. Borders.	.30
LYSOMACHIA- Goose neck loosestrife. White panicles of flowers, yellowish tinted foliage. June. Borders.	.35
NEPETA mussini- A form of catnip and therefore an herb. Grey-green leaves. Blue flowers. 8-10 inches. Very nice with mossy rocks.	.30
PAPVER Iceland Poppies. Orange and yellow flowers that can be picked if dipped immediately into hot water for about 5 minutes.	.30
PENSTEMON Coral beauty - Coral flowers blooming along the stems. July. Borders. A grand specimen for the garden. Splash of color in just the right place makes the garden. Try this plant.	.30
SAGE_ One of the most popular garden herbs. Is used in making poultry dressing and as garnish for many dishes.	.30
SALVIA violet- Rich dark violet flowers rising above low growing dark green leaves. Very effective and nice for borders.	.35
SEDUM Sedums are nice for rock gardens and dry walls. There are a great many kinds of which I have the best. They are-	
S. Rupestris- Close growing. Dark green. Minute yellow fls.	.25
S. Stoloniferum- Monkey Tailed sedum. Stems curl over.	.25
S. Acre- Yellow foliage, close growing. Rock walls.	.25
STACHYS lanata. Lambs ears. Soft hairy foliage. Flower heads are inconspicuous. Grey color. Rock gardens, dry walls and borders.	.25

PERENNIALS CON'T.

	Each
TUNICA saxifraga- Slender onion like foliage with many star like flowers. Minute in detail. Pink, low growing. 4-5 inches.	.25
VERONICA longifolia. Long flower spikes of blue flowers. July.	.30
V. Maritima - Smaller spikes than above. July.	.30
V. repens. Very low growing. Pale blue mats of flowers.	.30
VIOLA lutea splendens. Bright golden yellow. 6 inches.	.25
V. avalanche. Small flowered white.	.25

This year as before I will have the famous Brownell Roses each in their own individual neat packaging. This year there are more varieties from which to choose. The majority are climbers. There are some very fine teas also. They are -

Peggy Ann Langdon. Climber. Yellow-orange.	1.50
Golden Glow. Spectrum yellow. Climber. Fade resistant	1.50
Elegance - Yellow shading to white. Climber	1.50
Break O'Day- Orange to Apricot shades. Sub-zero tea	1.50
Opal of Arz. Spectrum Orange " " "	1.50
Stargold. Pure yellow. " " "	1.50
Lily Pons. Center pure yellow shading to white outer. Tea.	1.50
FREDERICK S. PECK. Pink. Yellow Center. Creeper.	1.50
Coral Creeper. Talisman tones. Red buds. "	1.50
Golden Pyramid. Cadmium yellow. Fade resistant. Pyramidal.	1.50

These roses are really the best that money can buy. The fact that they are raised and grown in Rhode Island is a fine feature because, you know that they will succeed in this state. They were very successfully grown last year by all who bought them. So by all means try some this year early and get the benefit of first come, first served. Some of them are scarce.

VEGETABLE PLANTS

For your home garden, buy your vegetable plants all ready to set out. I have Tomatoes, Cabbages, Egg Plant and Peppers in great variety. It is much easier to buy them this way as you will have an early crop and can cut down on your market bill.

They are priced.	Per dozen	.25
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